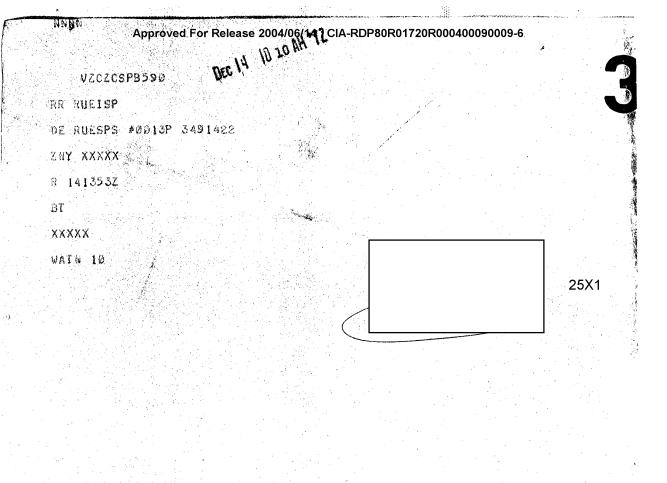
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25X1	MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR  SUBJECT: Sullivan's Request Relayed Via	
5X1	1. The attached arrived this morning and created a slightly awkward situation. Bill Sullivan has (at times) too big a mouth. The analysis he asked for is, of course, my 12 December cable sent to Henry via White House channels, of which you have seen a copy. My OCI colleagues were unaware of its existence until the attached gram arrived.	
	2. I have told OCI that will have to be given a negative reply, since the paper in question was asked for by Kissinger, to whom third parties' requests for copies will have to be addressed. That line did not help the situation here but seemed to me to be the only line I could take.	25X1
	3. The above is strictly for your information. I think it will be easier to smooth my colleagues' slightly ruffled feathers if I handle the matter quietly, informally and privately.	
	George A. Carver, Jr. Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs	25X1
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1. SULLIVAN, NEGROPONTE, ENGELS ARE

LINGERING HERE TO MEET "PRIVATELY" WITH OTHER SIDE

OVER DRAFT PROTOCOLS AND ARE HOW HOUSED IN USDEL AREA. FEW

MINUTES AGO I BEARDED SULLIVAN TO SEE IF HE HAD ANY PARTICULAR

INFO NEEDS. HE HAD JUST READ MY DAILY BOOK FOR THE AMBASSADOR

AND REPLIED IN NEGATIVE CI WILL PASS COPIES OF SAME STUFF

TO HIM AS LONG AS HE IS HERE AND WANTS IT). THEN HE

SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE AGAIN CARVER'S ANALYSIS

OF THIEU'S SPEECH. I ASSUMED THAT THIS WAS SOMETHING THAT

WENT TO KISSINGER PARTY VIA BACKCHANNEL AND HAD TO EXPLAIN

TO HIM THAT SUCH MATERIAL WENT NOWHERE ELSE. SINCE THIS IS

SOMETHING HE HAS ALREADY SEEN, AND IF IT IS NOT TOO LONG.

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- 2. FOR THE RECORD, COULD I BE ASSURED OF CLEARANCE STATUS OF JOHN NEGROPONTE AND DAVID ENGEL OF NSC STAFF?
- THROUGH SUNDAY, UNLESS THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME PROGRESS ON PROTOCOLS. (BEGIN FYI. BUT DRAFT PROTOCOLS PROVIDED BY DRV LOOK SO RESTRICTIVE, I WONDER IF THERE IS ANY EARLY COMPROMISE MIDDLE GROUND. END FYI.) SO I DO NOT YET SEE THIS AS THE OCCASION FOR BEEFING ME UP. E2, IMP,

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